

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Dravidian University, Kuppam – Constitution of a Committee to inquire into the alleged irregularities that have been committed in Dravidian University, Kuppam – Orders – Issued.

HIGHER EDUCATION (UE.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 876

Dated: 12-11-2010

Read the following

1. Notice No. 5611/UE.I/A2/2010-1, HE(UE.I) Dept., dated 11.11.2010.
2. From the Principal Secretary to Governor, Raj Bhavan D.O.Lr.no. A3/5277/S/2010, dt. 10.11.2010.

ORDER:

Whereas it has come to the notice of the Government that, certain irregularities have been allegedly committed by the Dravidian University in admitting a large number of Ph.D.students without properly following UGC guidelines and without having relevant faculty and infrastructure, in sanctioning and running distance education centre and in the appointment of teaching and non-teaching staff in the University in recent time.

2. Whereas the Office of the Governor and Chancellor of the University vide refer. 2nd read above has desired to furnish a comprehensive report on the issue and the actual position on the news item appeared on 10.11.2010.

3. Whereas Section 7(1) of Dravidian University Act, 1997 reads as follows:

“The Government shall have the right to cause an Inspection to be made by such person or persons as they may direct, of the affairs and properties of the University, its buildings, laboratories, libraries, museums, workshops and equipment and of any college or institution maintained by the University and also to cause an enquiry to be made, into the teaching and other work conducted or done by the University, or in respect of any matter connected with the University. The Government shall in every case give notice to the University of their intention to cause such inspection or inquiry to be made and the University shall be entitled to be represented thereat”..

4. And whereas a notice has already been issued to the University in this regard vide reference 1st read above.

5. Therefore, in exercise of the powers vested in Section 7(1) of Dravidian University Act, 1997, Government hereby constitute a two members committee as listed below to enquire into the issues:-

1. Prof. V.Ramakrishtayya, Former Vice-Chancellor, Osmania University.
2. Prof. M.S.Prasad Rao, former Registrar, Andhra University and presently Professor in Chemistry in Andhra University.

6. The terms of reference of the Committee are as follows:-

A. The said committee shall enquire in detail into the following issues:

- i. What was the procedure adopted to admit Ph.D. student in the University ? Whether UGC regulations and guidelines were followed or not. Whether the University has adequate qualified teachers to act as guides to the students admitted for Ph.D in the University? Whether Ph.D can be granted on distance mode etc ? Whether Ph.D can be offered through off-campus part-time mode? The details of fees collected from the Ph.D. students and guides. Year-wise and discipline wise, the actual number of Ph.D students admitted. The issue may be studied comprehensively keeping all aspects, rules and regulations applicable in view.

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- ii. The committee shall examine the modus operandi of sanctioning and running the distance education off-campus part-time centres by the University for offering M.Phil/Ph.D. Programmes. Whether these centres are sanctioned and monitored strictly as per UGC regulations and guidelines or there are gross violation of rules and regulation? Whether the study centres sanctioned are adequately equipped with infrastructure and faculties as required under the relevant regulations and rules? What are the numbers of such centres sanctioned by the University ?
- iii. The Committee shall examine in detail the records pertaining to appointment of teaching and non teaching staff including staff on contracts and outsourcing made by university in the recent time and come up with clear cut finding whether these appointments were made as per rules in vogue. Whether roster was followed wherever applicable? Whether Government permission was obtained for filling up these posts? Whether the constitution of selection committees for appointment was as per rules and whether Governor nominee was there in these committees?
- iv. The Committee shall also look into the representations/allegations received by them from various sources including news items pertaining to the issues mentioned above.

B. The said committee shall complete the enquiry within (15) days and submit a detailed report to Government immediately.

C. The Committee members will be entitled for TA/DA and travel expenses as per the eligibility.

7. The Registrar, Dravidian University shall take all adequate and necessary steps to facilitate the said enquiry and handover all the connected records and cooperate with the above committee to submit its report.

8. The A.P. State Council of Higher Education shall meet all the expenditure in respect of the meetings, travel, conveyance, assistance, etc. for the said committee.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**C.R. BISWAL
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Members concerned (Through the Secretary, APSCHE, Hyderabad with a request to handover to the committee members concerned.)

The Chairman, A.P. State Council of Higher Education, Hyderabad.

The Secretary, A.P. State Council of Higher Education, Hyderabad.

The Registrar, Dravidian University, Kuppam, Chittoor District.

Copy to:

The Principal Secretary to Governor, Raj Bhavan, Hyderabad.

The PS to M(HE & NRI Affairs)

The Prl. Secretary to CM.

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